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Ms. Jocelyn D. Boyd Chief Clerk of the Commission SC Public Service Commission P. O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

RE:

Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs for South Carolina Electric & Gas

Company

Docket No. 2018-2-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") joins in and supports those provisions proposed order submitted by the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") that provide that 1) SCE&G's fuel purchasing practices and policies, plant operations, fuel inventory management and all other associated with SC Code Ann. Section 58-27-865 were reasonable and prudent for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017; 2) SCE&G is to set its Base Fuel Component at 2.451 cents per kWh for the period May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019; and 3) SCE&G is to provide the Commission, ORS and all parties monthly reports of fuel costs and scheduled and unscheduled outrages of generating units with a capacity of 100 megawatts or greater.

However, at the hearing on the merits, Mr. Allen Rooks agreed on behalf of SCE&G to provide the parties with the following:

- a. Copies of the monthly fuel recovery reports currently filed with the Commission and ORS; and
- b. Quarterly forecasts

The provisions agreed to by Mr. Rooks are consistent with the provisions of the previous Public Service Commission orders approving settlement agreements in fuel dockets. For instance, the settlement agreement approved in Docket No. 2017-2-E provides in pertinent part,

B.11. Upon written request, SCE&G will provide the following to the Settling Parties:

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- a. Copies of the monthly fuel recovery reports currently filed with the Commission and ORS; and,
- b. Quarterly forecasts beginning with the quarter ending June 30, 2017, of the expected fuel factors to be set at SCE&G's next annual fuel proceeding and SCE&G's historical over (under)-collected balance to date. SCE&G agrees it will put forth reasonable efforts to forecast the expected fuel factors to be set at its next annual fuel proceeding; however, the Settling Parties agree that these quarterly forecasts will not be admitted into evidence in any future SCE&G proceeding.

Accordingly, SCEUC respectfully requests that the final order in this docket contain an additional provision that orders the following:

SCE&G shall continue to provide parties with quarterly forecasts beginning with the quarter ending June 30, 2018 of the expected fuel factors to be set at SCE&G's next annual fuel proceeding and SCE&G's historical over (under)-collected balance to date. SCE&G will put forth reasonable efforts to forecast the expected fuel factors to be set at it next annual fuel proceeding, provided however, the quarterly forecasts will not be admitted into evidence in any future SCE&G proceeding.

The ORS does not object to SCEUC's request. SCEUC takes no position on the remaining issues in the docket and thanks the Commission for the opportunity to participate.

Sincerely,

ELLIOTT & ELLIOTT, P.A.

Scott Elliott

SE/lbk Enclosures

cc: All parties of record (w/encl.)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them via Electronic Mail on the date indicated below:

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